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FM USDEL JEC PARIS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 139

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

INFO AMEMBASSY SAIGON

C O N F I D E N T I A L USDEL JEC PARIS 25203

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, VS, SA

SUBJECT: GVN OFFICIAL TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA

1. NGUYEN XUAN PHONG, DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE GVNDEL TO THE PARIS BILATERALS WITH THE PRG, TOLD US THAT HE PLANS TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA NEXT MONTH. PHONG RECEIVED WORD THAT KING FAYSAL HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE HIM. WHILE STILL UNCERTAIN ABOUT DATES AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS WITH SAG OFFICIALS, PHONG WILL PROPOSE MAKING HIS VISIT IN OCTOBER AFTER THE RAMADAN PERIOD.

2. IN AUGUST PHONG VISITED BAHRAIN, JORDAN, AND KUWAIT AS A "PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY", TO PRESENT THE GVN CASE BEFORE THE RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS AND TO CONVEY GOOD-WILL MESSAGES FROM PRESIDENT THIEU. THE VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA WILL BE SIMILAR, ALTHOUGH LACKING THE URGENCY OF THE EARLIER VISITS, WHEN PHONG WAS LOBBYING ON BEHALF OF THE GVN PRIOR TO THE ALGIERS NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE.

3. IF PHONG MAKES CONTACT WITH EMBASSY JIDDA IN ANY WAY IT WILL PROBABLY BE PURELY A MATTER OF COURTESY, SUCH AS A BRIEF CALL ON THE AMBASSADOR. PHONG IS AN
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ARTICULATE (IN FRENCH AND ENGLISH) AND RESOURCEFUL

DIPLOMAT WHO CAN MAKE HIS WAY UNAIDED.
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